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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Science and Technology)

SUBJECT : Daily Activity Report - 25 September 1963

1. Mission Status

a. IDEALIST - The Edwards U-2 Detachment staging team [redacted] is now in place [redacted] in a standby 25X1A status. Its parent organization, the U-2 Detachment at Edwards AFB, California, is also in a standby status.

One mission was flown by the U-2 Detachment [redacted] 25X1A on 24 September. This mission was flown against the Chinese Missile Test Range; estimate 85 to 90% coverage. This detachment has also been alerted for two missions on 25 September; the first is against targets in North East China, and the second against North Korean and Manchurian targets.

b. BRASS KNOB - There was a SAC U-2 mission over Cuba on 24 September; estimate 70% coverage. No reaction.

c. SATELLITES - CORONA/J Mission 1002, launched on 23 September, continues to function normally through the 22nd orbit.

2. OXCART Flights: 24 September 1963

a. Aircraft #124 made Flight #139, duration - 1:55 hours, purpose: INS and air refueling. INS portion was unsuccessful due to erratic course correction.

b. Aircraft #125 made Flight #15, duration - 1:07 hours. Purpose: Shakedown flight and INS. All systems were satisfactory.

c. Aircraft #126 made Flight #20, duration - 1:20 hours. Purpose: EGG.

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25X1A 3. OXCART Status [redacted] 1700 hours, 24 September 1963.

- a. Aircraft #121: Receiving instrumentation and inspection.
- b. Aircraft #122: Replacing inlet control.
- c. Aircraft #127: Awaiting fins. Service bulletin work.
- d. Aircraft #128: In flight preparation.
- e. Aircraft #129: Final assembly.